



"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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The Dispensation of Promise

BY THE EDITOR

This dispensation lasted from the call of Abraham to the exodus, and is known as the Dispensation of the Family.

After the dispersion from Babel, the descendant of Noah and his sons became idolaters. No doubt God had His witnesses, but there is no record of any. Even Abraham's father was an idolater. So God decided to single out one family and start afresh. Abraham was chosen and he proved a mighty man of faith, but his righteousness waned in his descendants. Isaac was a good man, but not so good as his father, and Jacob, Isaac's son, who succeeded to the birthright, was still less so, and the twelve sons of Jacob were not so good and faithful as Jacob.

Genesis 11 and 12 mark an important turning point in the divine dealing. Heretofore the history has been that of the Adamic race. There has been neither Jew nor Gentile; all have been one in "the first man Adam." Henceforth, in the scripture record, humanity must be thought of as a vast stream from which God, in the call of Abram and the creation of the nation of Israel, has but drawn off a slender rill, through which He may at last purify the great river itself. Israel was called to be a witness to the unity of God in the midst of universal idolatry (Deut. 6:4; Isa. 43: 10-12); to illustrate the blessedness of serving the true God (Deut. 33:26-29); to receive and preserve the divine revelations (Rom. 3:1, 2; Deut. 4:5-8); and to produce the Messiah (Gen. 3:15; 21:

3:28; 10, 14; 49:10; 2 Sam. 7:16, 17; Isa. 4:3, 4; Matt. 1:1).

The reader of scripture should hold firmly in mind: (1) that from Gen. 12 to Matt. 12:45 the Scriptures have primarily in view Israel, the little rill, not the great Gentile river; though again and again the universality of the ultimate divine intent breaks into view. Gen. 12: 1-3, "Now the Lord had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee: and I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: and I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed." Here we have an account of God's direct call to Abram and his descendants. This made quite a change in the human family. God now calls and separates one man and places him under a promise and it seems that the rest of the Gentile world was not directly under the favors of God and were left to drift into idolatry and many hurtful things. But God saw Abraham and said that he knew him. Abraham was faithful to obey the Lord and move out at once to a place where He had called him to go. Though he was not acquainted with the country, he was faithful and willing to trust himself in the hands of the Lord.

Abraham took with him all his possessions and Lot his nephew and Sarai his wife and departed out of Haran. Here

we find him building an altar in the land of Canaan. It is said that the Canaanites were then in the land and the Lord appeared unto him and said, "I will give this land unto thee." Here we find Abraham building an altar, sacrificing, and worshipping God.

After Abraham reached Canaan things went well for a while and he had the favors of God and was at peace with the Canaanites. In Gen. 12:10 a famine was on the land and Abraham went down into Egypt. Here he became fearful that some of the Egyptians would take his wife away from him or kill him for her for she was a very beautiful woman, and he agreed with his wife that she should pass as his sister. We find that the king of Egypt beheld the woman and his princes also saw her. They took Abraham's wife unto Pharaoh's house. He treated Abraham well for her sake but the Lord plagued Pharaoh's house with great plagues and he called for Abraham and said, "What is this that thou hast done unto me? Why didst thou not tell me that she was thou wife?" He gladly turned her over to Abraham and commanded his men concerning him, and they sent him away with his wife and all that he had.

After his trip into Egypt, Abraham and Lot went back into Canaan. Their herds had increased and there was some dissention between their herdmen. Abraham called Lot unto him and said, "Let there be no strife and division be-

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Notices

I am now in Louisiana and will pass through Mississippi and I am giving my stops so that you who want prayer can meet me at the following places: Friday night, April 2 I will be at Yazoo City, Miss.; the 3rd at Leland, Miss., Mt. Zion Church; Sunday, April 4, at Greenville, Miss.; April 5 at Moorhead, Miss.; April 6 at Fairview Church, Ruleville, Miss., Rt. 2; and April 7 at Thorn, Miss. You who are at Weir meet me at Thorn, Miss. On April 8 I will be at the Sardis Church at Batesville, Miss. I have many writing me for prayer in Mississippi and I am unable to get to you all, so if you will make a little effort you can get to me at these points. If you will lay aside your little remedies and put all your trust in God, He can heal you. You can't expect the Lord to heal you and you trusting in the arm of flesh.

From Mississippi we will go to Arkansas. April 9 I will be at West Helena, Ark., and I have some who are wanting prayer near this place, and Sister Taylor, if you will be at this place God can heal you as He did once before. From here we will go to Haynes, Ark. and will be there over the 11th. There are several in Arkansas who have written me to come and pray for them but were not able to defray my expenses, so now you have a chance with little expense if you will take the opportunity. I won't be able to make but the two stops in Arkansas. April 12 I will be at Memphis, Tenn. and all who are sick in reach of Memphis meet us there and God can heal you. April 13 I will be at Beasley's Chapel, Ripley, Tenn.; April 14 at Dyersburg, Tenn.; April 15 at Nashville; April 16 at McMinnville; Apr. 17 at Campaign, Tenn.; Apr. 18 at Black Oak church, Sparta; April 19 I will be at Knoxville, Tenn. and you who are at Alcoa and Sevierville and the nearby churches, come and bring your sick and see how God can heal. April 20 I will be at Morristown, Tenn., and you at Newport and neighboring churches bring your sick, God is working wonders in these last days in spite of all opposition and unbelief. I will be at Johnson City, Tenn., the 21st; Kingsport, Tenn. the 22nd; and April 23 at Glamorgan, Va. You who live near this place can meet me there, and from there we will give you two nights at the churches near Jenkins, Ky. Write me at Nashville, Tenn., in care of the clerk and I will know where you are as I don't know their whereabouts. I will be on my way to Pikeville, Ky. and McVeigh, Ky. The 26 I will be at McVeigh, Ky.; and the

27 at Delbarton, W. Va.; 28th at Logan, W. Va.; 29th at Parkersburg, W. Va. and from there in home. If you want God to heal you I am coming through, as I have been called to Mississippi to pray for the sick. It was an urgent call and I could not let anyone know of my going down to Mississippi but I hope I will be able to see many that are suffering healed of their sickness, and if you will put your trust in the Lord and leave off medicines you can get your healing, so meet us at the above points and give God a trial.—Your brother in Christ, L. G. Rouse, Metz, W. Va.

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The district convention for the Monroe, Va. district will convene April 16-18 at Mt. Hermon church. Each church see that you are represented in this convention with a good report on missions, aged ministers' fund, orphans, and support for your pastor. Also bring a good offering for our state overseer. We welcome everybody. Come and bring a well-filled basket of things to eat on Sunday. The services will begin Friday night at 7:30. Pray that the Lord will bless in a special way.—H. B. Magee, district pastor, Monroe, Va.

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The second annual district convention of the Church of God of the Philadelphia, Pa. district will convene at the Church of God, Reamstown, Pa., April 16-18. All are welcome.—P. P. Carpenter, district pastor, Reamstown, Pa.

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There will be a home coming at the Church of God on N. George St., Clinton, Ill., Sunday, May 9, the second Sunday. We will have all day services with dinner on the ground. Everybody is welcome. We are expecting a great feast from the Lord. Come and bring your baskets well-filled. We will expect all members of the Clinton church to be home on that day. We are also asking the Lord for a good, liberal offering on that day as we are in debt on our church building, so come one and all and bring a good cash offering and receive a good blessing from the Lord. We will be looking for you.—W. R. Anderson, pastor.

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The Oak Grove, Miss. district convention will convene at Oak Grove church near Red Bay, Ala., April 23-25. We invite ministers, members, and singers from all parts of the state to attend, or if you live out of the state and can attend, we will be glad to have you. Come on, folks, let's make this the best convention we have had yet. There are several preachers who have promised to be with us. Clerks, bring a full report of your work. I ask each member to help put the church program over by paying your

twenty-five cents on state headquarters and ten cents for aged ministers. Brother Headley, state overseer, will be in charge. Begin praying now for the success of this convention.—D. L. Barrett, district overseer, Red Bay, Ala.

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The Jasper district convention will convene April 23-25 at Jasper, Fla. We are expecting the best convention we have ever had. We will also be looking for a good delegation from each church on the district. Pastors, let's do our best to be one hundred per cent on everything and make this a convention that God will put His approval on. Bring a well-filled basket Sunday and stay all day. Help us enjoy the good blessing of the Lord. Our state overseer will be in charge. We are expecting a latter rain so you must be there to get your blessing.—Loran V. Hall, district pastor, Box 104, Branford, Fla.

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We are open for calls for revivals or pastoral work in the states of Arizona, New Mexico, or Oklahoma. Lecturer on divine healing. Fourteen years in Pentecostal movement and nine years as a minister of the full gospel.—Alfred Hoskins, 320 S. Arizona Ave., Tucson, Ariz.

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This is to notify all churches on the Waycross, Ga. district that our district convention will convene May 14-16. We are expecting all the ministers and laity to be present. Don't forget on Sunday of the convention to bring a well-filled basket, not with the idea of just feeding the body only, but come with your soul filled with the glory of God. Let's go over the top on everything by this time, D. V. Let's make this convention one of the best that has ever been held at Waycross. We can do this by co-operating together. We also invite our neighboring districts, pastors and laity to come.—Y. E. McNear, district pastor, 1407 State St., Waycross, Ga.

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This is to notify you that Mrs. Cartha Porter is no longer clerk at Chilhowie, Va. as she moved away. Mrs. W. B. Wright has taken her place. Her address is Box 202, Marion, Va.—B. M. Woolwine, district pastor, Box 362, Marion, Va.

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The Fort Payne, Ala. district convention will convene at Straight Creek church on Friday night before the fourth Sunday in April. Everybody is welcome. Brother G. C. Dunn, state overseer, will be in charge.—W. H. Preston, district pastor.

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The Rock Hill, S. C. district conven-

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Getting Back Into Goshen

M. S. LEMONS

"Goshen" means "close by." When Joseph was made known to his brethren, he afterward told them that he would give them a place in the land of Goshen, which he said was "near unto me." "Therefore be not grieved, nor angry with yourselves, . . . for God did send me before you to preserve life. For these two years hath the famine been in the land: and yet there are five years, in the which there shall neither be earing nor harvest," Gen. 45:6.

This exhortation from Joseph so elated the hearts of the brethren that they were soon up and going away to tell their old broken-hearted father the good news, the report of which almost caused the heart of their father to stop. But, thank the Lord, he finally survived and said, "It is enough; Joseph my son is yet alive: I will go and see him before I die." And he did go down, he and all his family, about seventy souls, they and all their cattle and herds, to live in the good land of Goshen near by where Joseph and the rest of his folks lived. Goshen was well watered, a fine place for cattle, good grass for the possibility of raising fine herds, and, too, it was near unto Joseph, who could jump on his milk-white steed, and run down in a very few moments. Oh, it was a lovely thought that Joseph could see his old father from whom he had been absent for about twenty years.

The delicious, sparkling fountains and balmy air of Egypt were truly delightful indeed. The lovely sunshine and aroma from the beautiful flowers is enough to make folks want to get back into the "lovely land of Goshen." Such splendor and glory! It seems that God's children would like something like it (?), though so many do not seem to be interested.

The family of Jacob rejoiced one more time together, when they were situated in their tents, their children playing and riding the nice ponies, and scampering over the newly inhabited fields of their childhood. Like the pensive Rachel, they found the fields still golden and the morning sunlight fresh and fair. Oh, what a blessed state! It was the next thing to heaven. Such a lovely time and such a lovely place!

But, sad to say, when Israel had enjoyed these good things for a time, they soon found out something else which drew them from this good gracious enjoyment, and they went out into dark Egypt and began partaking of things that resulted in bad things for them—heart-

aches, servitude in an extreme measure, stripes often, and long bondage. For four hundred thirty long years God suffered them to pay highly for their backsliding, but after all, God heard their pitiful wailing cry and sent Moses and Aaron to help them back into that lovely land of Goshen. Oh, how happy they must have been when six hundred thousand of their men and all their lovely women and children were once again safely housed in their beautiful sun-kissed tents in Goshen.

God began to hear their prayers and Moses told them that God had sent him to take them out of that land to a better land where they could see the lovely, bright clouds and where the copious showers fell on the mown fields and the lark and nightingale sang their beautiful evening song. Israel was so greatly blessed and hearts were so jubilant that they could hardly await the time to start. But God had to get the old king in a better attitude to let them go, so He told Moses just how to present the case before Pharaoh in order to make it sound best. After a few hard strokes, the old king surrendered and they were just about ready to start on the journey.

During the great tribulation that was all over Egypt, destruction came in the most severe manner, except death, then at last death came, and a complete destruction it was. In the meantime an inquiry was made. There was not a fly, nor locust in the land of Goshen, and no darkness, and while the cows of Egypt were all dying, there was not one dead or sick cow in Goshen. This was such a good place, but God had some better things yet, if He had not He would not have taken them out of Goshen. Some seem to think that there is nothing better, but God knew and we know that there is.

The first point we wish to make is that getting back into Goshen is a type of us getting ready to go away with Jesus. He, like Moses, will not take us out of any other place or condition except Goshen, which is one of the most complete types of strict obedience and favor with God. Sanctification is an experience of purification. There is joy in regeneration, but there is more joy in sanctification, and powerful joy when we receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

Sanctification is the result of a clean heart, made so by the shed blood of Jesus Christ. It is a cleansing. It eradicates sin in all of its forms. There is not a trace or stain of sin in the sanctified heart, and no guessing. It is an undenia-

ble fact, God has made the provision and the precious shed blood of Jesus Christ is the only thing that will do this great work. There is nothing below that that is the Goshen experience. We have had the experience many years and thousands of people know what it is. It is the effect of the suffering and death of our blessed Lord and Savior Jesus Christ whose precious crimson life blood He poured out on the rugged cross of Calvary. It will and does sanctify, and the great call today is to get back into this lovely experience. "As you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him."

We have joined churches until we are well divided. We have traded and gotten ourselves homes and lands, some of which is ill gotten gain. Some of us have said too much about our faltering brother, and that in a very harsh way, all of which has stained our garments enough at least that we will have to get a new dip in the shed blood of our precious once-dead but risen Lord. The Good Book says, "Keep thy garments always white." It also says, "Speak evil of no man." Well, it is enough when we transgress. We are guilty of sin and sin makes a splotch, and nothing but the blood can wash it away and Jesus will not take any who have spots on their garments.

The second thought is that when the children of Israel got themselves back into the lovely Goshen experience, Moses, who is a type of Jesus, came and soon they were out and gone. Not a hoof of them remained until the next morning. They took all the pure gold with them. The Word says, "Ye are the light of the world." When the saints are taken away, how dark it will be. It also says, "Ye are kings and priests unto God." When the saints are taken away, all the kings and priests will be gone. There will be nobody to pray for the poor, broken-hearted weeping souls. What a pity! "Ye are the salt of the earth." When the saints are gone, how rotten the world will be then. "Ye are the jewels of earth, and treasures of the Lord." When the saints are gone, how poor this old world will be.

Jesus says, "I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love. Remember . . . and repent . . . or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent." The love seems to be a lost number among us in these last days, but, thank God, we are

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and citizens to enlist in this war until it has become known that this is not a war between the citizens of Spain but the greatest dispute and conflict is coming from other nations. We wonder what the outcome will be.

"When they say peace and safety, sudden destruction shall come upon them." The League of Nations proposed at one time to settle all disputes and thereby abandon war, but it has become generally known that it is only a big committee to gather information and test the strength of nations, and today they are publishing bulletins that are far from a peaceful settlement, but it supplies these fighting nations with the information as to the strength and power of their foes, and we believe it is but a medium through which war is agitated. It is plain that men are not capable of taking care of the situation. God's Bible will be fulfilled and the only thing for lovers of truth to do is to nestle close to the Lord and depend on Him for guidance.

Christianity

The forces of Christianity today are at sea. There is a true, loyal, blood-washed, Holy-Ghost-filled people who are determined to live for God and fight the battles of life. They are praying and depending on God and taking His Word as the man of their council. On the other hand, there are millions of lovers of truth who love God and want to do His will but they are failing to make the consecration, and I am sure they will not be able to withstand the powers of darkness that are now covering this earth. When we think of the perils that are in front of us and realize how dependent we are upon our heavenly Father, it makes us wonder why the forces of righteousness will not meet the condition and accept the truth as it is laid down in the Word of God and prepare for the great crisis that certainly is coming upon all the world to try them.

We think of the many dictators of the nations across the sea today who have sprung up in the last few years and who have every earmark of the Antichrist: Stalin of Russia, Hitler of Germany, Mussolini of Italy, and many others who are prominent in the world's crisis. Now I feel these are forerunners of the Antichrist and they will deceive many people and bring to pass their schemes and plans which will all culminate in the coming of the man of sin.

And while these forces of evil are organizing and working, we feel that God's people should put forth every effort to carry the gospel to the lost and to unite in belief and effort to carry out the divine program prophesied by the Lord

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✻ Editorials ✻

Striking Fire

"Is not my word like as a fire?" Jer. 23:29.

We have just read an account of the Presbyterian minister in New York setting fire to his Bible. At an evening meeting his large church was almost empty. Possibly twenty-nine were present. He had a great deal to say about the falling away and told of the spirit that was now possessing church members. He said they had bowed God out of the church. Quickly he set fire to his Bible, held it up before the congregation and watched it burn. Tossing it in a tin bucket near-by, he proceeded to say a good many things about his unfaithful members.

It is no wonder to me that such a thing would take place. When ministers teach that their members sin every day and practice all kinds of worldliness in the church, they cannot expect their congregation to stand the tests, but at least we are in the last days when it will take real, true religion to stand. There are many ministers who like to preach who have never cultivated a love for souls. I wonder what they will do in these last days.

Universal Changes

"Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; and there shall be earthquakes in divers places, and there shall be famines and troubles: these are the beginnings of sorrows." Mark 13:8.

As we view the situation we think about the many disasters that have come to the human family in the last few

years. There have been many earthquakes in foreign countries and in America. The ones in California and Montana were the most severe that America has ever witnessed. There have been storms that have swept the land and taken their toll. To sum it all up, the result is that God has smitten man on his works with devastating fury in many parts of the earth. The last flood was one of the most horrible things that ever happened in America and these are signs of the last days. The dust storms in the West and the drouths in the United States and Mexico in the last few years have brought us face to face with the fulfillment of this scripture. Weather conditions have been so strange that those in charge of such work have expressed themselves with great fear for the safety of people in many sections. So these things being fulfilled makes us feel that the coming of our Lord is surely near.

War in Spain

"There shall be wars and rumors of wars." Matt. 24:6.

The war that is now in progress in Spain is certainly the climax of wars. The issue is between communism and fascism. If this had been left to Spain alone, it would have long ago been settled, but the latest information brought to us by the newspapers proves that many countries are taking a part in this war. It seems to be a battle ground to decide the strength and force of each party. It is said that Germany and Italy have taken a great part in this awful, bloody battle. The last account showed that many battles had been fought and that the participants in the battles were from other nations.

We feel sure this is the outcroppings of one of the most bloody disasters that has ever confronted the world. Russia has secretly mastered her forces and her soldiers have volunteered to fight with the government troops in Spain. Other nations likewise have allowed their soldiers

The PERRY-SCOPE

TREASURES—NEW AND OLD FROM FAR AND NEAR

Conducted by Sam C. Perry

The Need of Revival

"Wilt thou not revive us again?" *Psa. 85:6.*

In every spiritual circle today the need of revival is being discussed. A church in working order is a revival church. Absence of revival fires means spiritual desolation. The history of the church is the history of revivals. In the midst of revival fires alone can the church live and thrive.

The need of a revival appears when we consider:

1. Individual church members. How limited is the faith, peace, hope, and joy of so many. With what dry, dead form is their worship of God. How little of the mind of Christ and of that power and high-toned piety they manifest. So much of the world and its spirit possesses them.

2. The ministry. The ministry cannot give to the church what they do not possess themselves. To produce a praying, self-denying, sacrificing people, a ministry possessing such qualities themselves is required. A revived ministry means a revived church.

3. The local churches. It takes a week or two of hard work to get the average church ready for a revival. If they are a soul-saving station composed of life guards, it is their business to be alive and on the job. But when they are more alive to worldly affairs and their own selfish ends than they are to Jesus and the interests of His Church, they certainly need waking up.

4. The Church at large. When we compare it with the Bible picture, with what it used to be, and with what the world in general expects of it, we cannot fail to see how urgent is the need of a great, scriptural, Holy Ghost revival in the Church everywhere.

5. The world in general. From that which everybody knows of the world about us, its unbelief and sin of every cast, we all know that its only hope is a revival of old-time religion. We believe that a general, apostolic, Welch, Wesleyan, Finney type of revival would greatly help the political, social, and economical condition of the country today, as well as bring thousands of lost souls into the kingdom of God.

MEANS FOR SECURING THE NEEDED REVIVAL

1. More personal devotion to the Lord

and His cause, among the saints. This applies to every one. There should be more humility, more faith, more seeking the will of God and the things of God.

2. More concerted action. A drawing closer together in the spirit of prayer and spiritual devotion, a united effort, for the purpose of a special advance against the enemy of souls.

3. The remorse of such conditions and things that hinder the progress of the Spirit's work among us. If it is pride, unconfessed sin, or lack of life and unity, such conditions must be dealt with. A way should be sought to clear up the channels of the Spirit that are clogged.

4. Special prayer, with fasting. Let us remember that there can be no unusual measure of blessing without unusual prayer, and with confession, as is proper, and humiliation before God.

God's promise is "And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart," *Jer. 29:13*. This applies to one or to many. Where there is such seeking there will be revival. O Lord, revive Thy work.

America's crime bill is given as fifteen billion dollars annually. That would be \$120 per year, or \$10 per month, for every man, woman and child in the United States.

"The greatest of these is love." Love should control our thoughts and words and acts. It is love that inspires true praying, praises, and faithful devotion to God. Love endures in trials, misunderstandings, sacrifices, and in labors. "Love never faileth."

"I believe," says Bishop Fowler, "that in the day of judgment more people will stand condemned for the way they used their money than for any other one thing."

A true preacher does what he thinks is right whether the good people shout or the bad ones howl.

We must command time, much time, for solitude, contemplation of Christ and prayer. It is always from lonely heights of meditation men come down to move the world.

Young People's Corner

The New Birth

"Ye must be born again," *John 3:7*.

This text is said to be found in the first discourse of Jesus ever recorded.

George Whitefield preached more than three hundred times from this text. When asked why he used it so often, he replied, "Just because you must be born again."

1. The new birth involves a fundamental change of heart and life. "If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature; old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new," *2 Cor. 5:17*. This change makes one a child of God, where life wears a different face. Things that used to please and satisfy do so no more. There are now new desires, new loves, new hates, new ambitions; in short, a new creation. The whole trend of life is changed. Instead of sin, unrighteousness and ungodliness, there is righteousness, peace, and salvation.

2. The new birth is of divine origin, it is from above. It is attributed to the Spirit of God. Man is unable to save himself or to obtain spiritual life by any means at his disposal. He can only surrender himself to the Lord and in simple faith receive that wonderful change which none but the Spirit of God can bring about.

3. The new birth brings spiritual life into the soul. It is here that men know and serve God. Without this spiritual birth they neither know nor enter into the kingdom of God.

4. The new birth is received by believing on the Lord Jesus Christ. Those who receive Him by believing "on His name" are born of God. *John 1:12,13*.

5. The new birth is receivable now. All true Christians are God's sons now. "Behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God . . . Beloved now are we the sons of God," *1 John 3:1, 2*.

The late breakfast, the morning paper that did not come, the rainy day, that radio program, the contradiction, the snub, the slight—these are the termites that eat out our character, the little foxes that spoil the grapes.

A great man said, "Prayer is the first thing, the second thing, the third thing necessary to a minister. Pray then, my dear brother, pray, pray, pray."

Prayer is the best preparation for any crisis.

News from the Mission Field

ZENO C. THARP, Secretary, Mission Board

REPORT FROM INDIA

Chengannur P. O., Travancore,
South India, Jan. 11, 1937.

Beloved Coworkers:

"O give thanks unto the Lord; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever."

Though there was much to write, I was unable to send out a report letter last month because of extra duties. This is the time for district meetings, that is, from November to February, when there is little rain. Mr. Cook has lately been to a place where he had not been before, one opened up by our workers, and the people were so interested in hearing the deeper truths of the Word that they want more meetings about Easter time. An orthodox Syrian has offered the use of his large school for the meetings.

Last April we wrote "A Call to Prayer," about the Eravas, and trust that those of you who received that article have been praying for them. God has been working recently in Noornad where there are so many Eravas, and November 26 another Erava woman followed the Lord in baptism. Two Eravas have lately received the baptism of the Holy Spirit in that place. We had two Erava men in Bible School this year, ones who had previously received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Others are ready for water baptism soon and are seeking the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

We wrote that about 90 per cent of the Erava caste wanted to leave Hinduism and become Christians as they did not have religious freedom amongst the Hindus. Now the tide has turned as freedom has been proclaimed by the Travancore Government for all Hindu castes, even those called "untouchables" to enter the temples. In some of our outstations, almost all of our people are the servants of the higher caste Hindu masters and are living upon their land. Since the issue of this proclamation, pressure is being brought to bear upon the Christian converts to come back to Hinduism. These masters even threaten to send them off their land if they do not return to Hinduism. However, some of our people are saying that even if they have to live by the roadside and starve, they will not give up their faith.

Since this is the case, something will have to be done for them lest some may be tempted. Surely the dark days are upon us, but there are many that are going through and none of our people have gone back to Hinduism yet. There are

even Hindu missions with thousands of dollars back of this Hindu propaganda. Every effort, even to persecution, is made, to gain their end. Will you not pray earnestly for our dear people that they will stand true and for those who want to come out for the Lord?

We praise God for His great blessing upon the work. Altogether 202 followed the Lord in baptism during the past year, forty-eight of these during the month of December. A week ago Sunday, the first Sunday of this New Year, sixteen were baptized in water in one district and more are to be baptized at the annual convention. Also next Sunday there is to be a baptismal service here at headquarters.

At Noornad out-station in tarrying meetings eight more have received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, including the two Eravas mentioned above and one Bible School student. Last week another Bible School student received the baptism of the Holy Spirit in Pandanad out-station.

We trust you are praying for the work in the Tamil district which has so wonderfully opened up to us. Pray much for the thousands of Hindus there and for laborers to be thrust forth into this needy field in this last hour. We feel that there is no time to lose for Jesus is coming soon. Do continue to hold the ropes, praying more earnestly and effectually for lost souls and that saints will be prepared for the Lord's coming. We pray that you may be greatly blessed during this year. Greetings in the Lord from us all.—Yours in the Master's glad service, Bertha N. Cook.

MISSION RECEIPTS

By states for January, February,
March, 1937:

Alabama	\$ 123.26
Arkansas	27.90
Arizona	5.03
California	18.35
Canada	6.75
Delaware	1.48
Florida	1,268.21
Georgia	205.57
Indiana	21.36
Illinois	73.38
Idaho	3.15
Iowa	1.04
Kansas	2.95
Kentucky	86.70
Louisiana	32.94
Maine	8.05

Maryland	43.72
Michigan	43.45
Mississippi	73.47
Missouri	48.82
Massachusetts	.72
Minnesota	1.08
Montana	8.09
New Mexico	39.84
North Carolina	293.26
North Dakota	7.50
Ohio	143.57
Oklahoma	13.72
Oregon	16.39
Pennsylvania	124.33
South Carolina	303.58
South Dakota	3.48
Tennessee	164.77
Texas	66.79
Virginia	41.65
West Virginia	204.26
Colored work	8.27

Total \$3,535.88

God Always Heals

LEAKSVILLE, Miss. — Dear saints, just about five years ago, May, 1932, Brother Earl Brewer ran a revival here and I got saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost and I have been living it ever since.

I was sick when Brother Brewer and his family got here. I had been sick for about eighteen years with backache, leg-ache, bronchial trouble and asthma. I was in a dreadful condition. I could not sleep at night, had to sit up in bed. My husband took me to every doctor that we could possibly go to. I would get to feeling better then I would get worse. Sometimes I would think I would be better off if I were dead. But I thank God for this good breath that I am breathing. Praise His good name!

I have been sick so many times since I got saved, but God heals me every time I get sick. The first time I got seriously ill after I got the Holy Ghost my husband sent for some of the saints to come and pray for me. I received the healing and got up that night. Praise the Lord! I haven't taken a dose of medicine since. I was a slave to tobacco. I chewed and dipped snuff, but thank God, I did not have to quit it, it quit me. I praise God for all of it now.

I am the mother of ten children, two are dead. Two have been added to the Church of God, one boy and one girl, two daughters-in-law have been added to the Church of God and I want the readers to pray for them to live the life. Also pray for the other six children to be saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. Also pray for me and my husband that we may live true and keep victory in our souls.—Mrs. C. A. Bradley.

Bible School Echoes

Closing of the 1936-37 Term of B. T. S.

The baccalaureate service Sunday, March 21, came with the realization that school would be closed within a few days.

After Sunday School the students gathered in the study hall to march out in a group for the baccalaureate service. There was that feeling within, of soldiers marching to the battlefield of service to God, as we thought what we were in the Bible Training School for. We were marching forth for last-minute instructions before entering our course of duty.

The baccalaureate sermon was delivered by Brother Houston Morehead of Chattanooga, Tennessee. As we listened to his words of counsel and exhortation—what we were leaving, what we would face and how we must be prepared to meet whatever might come—our hearts burned within us as tears welled up, for we realized the responsibility upon us in going forth from the Bible School. Whether our first, second, or third year, it was a solemn, sacred hour.

Tuesday night's musical program was a blessing not only to the audience but to the students as well. We did not gather to show our skill in practiced, measured phrases, but to raise our voices as unto the Lord, that they might join in our praises, and see that the school was moving forward in power. (It is not only for us to say the Lord dwelt in our midst, but further for us to show, because it is bound to tell in our lives.) As we stood upon the platform and under the direction of Brother Owl Denison, our voices blended together in song. It was not as though we were singing for those around us, but there was a deeper meaning, a higher listener—the unseen Guest that the song was going forth to. And He in turn smiled His approval and blessed the songs. How light the feeling! It seemed we could have sung on and on. Quartets, trios, solos, instrumentals—all went forth as praises unto Him whom the heavens adore, before whom the hosts of them fall. Praise His name!

Wednesday morning again the students marched out to take their places for the commencement address and awarding of diplomas to the graduating classes of all departments. The graduates, led by the faculty, marched to the platform while the rest of the students took their places in the reserved seats below. Brother Harry Hatcher gave the salutatory address, welcoming one and all. Brother Max

Atkins gave the valedictory address. It filled the remaining students' hearts with sadness to accept the farewells of the class just leaving for the great battlefield, but then again, proud to stand back and bid them God speed in their perseverance for the Master. The diplomas were presented to the graduating students by superintendent, Brother Zeno C. Tharp. We mention Erma Reid, the first student in the Bible Training School to receive a diploma in piano. Brother U. D. Tidwell delivered the commencement address. Again we felt the urge for service and weight of the knowledge of responsibility. Oh that we will have absorbed the worth of that message!

Wednesday afternoon the students and faculty (also visitors, friends and relatives) met and had an old-fashioned testimony meeting. It was weighted, however, with sadness as we gave our last expressions of appreciation for the school, faculty, and fellow students. God was there and was helping to count our blessings derived from the school.

Wednesday evening at 7:00 o'clock the Auditorium was again filled to overflowing for the program presented by the senior class. A play, "The Lost Church," was given in four scenes. It was carried through very impressively, bringing tears of sorrow as it was impressed upon us how dark this old world would be without Christ, how desolate lives would be, and the wonderful transformation brought about by accepting Christ, how it not only brings peace, joy and comfort to the individual, but to those around. Other instrumentals, etc., were given, which were appreciated highly by the audience. At the end of the service the students met in the study hall for handshakes and good-byes, and school was closed for another six months.—Edith Goughnour.

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Notice to Correspondence Students

Please always sign your name on lessons sent in for us to grade. This will save us much time and trouble searching through the files trying to find to whom the lesson belongs. We will greatly appreciate each student's co-operation.

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Note of Appreciation

We use this means of thanking each of you Correspondence Students for the hearty co-operation you gave in helping secure new students for the B. T. S. Course. We have already enrolled several students and new ones are coming in all the time. May the Lord bless you for this good work, is our prayer.—C. M. Jenkerson, Correspondence Dept.

The Home Study Course

This course is intended for those seeking deeper knowledge of the Word, and to meet the demands of persons who have neither time nor leisure for more extensive study of the Bible. It covers the entire Bible in a comprehensive way and proceeds on the synthetic plan. The lessons are not long, and the course can readily be completed in eight (8) months.

The course requires little intensive study, but considerable consecutive reading of the Bible for the purpose of familiarizing the student with its general outline.

The salient features of all the books of the Bible are brought out in a remarkable way by the author. The whole arrangement is so simple, and yet comprehensive that with a comparatively small amount of study the leading outlines and spiritual lessons of books, or groups of books of the Bible, may be mastered, giving the student not only a fresh appetite, but also preparing him for more advanced study.

HERE ARE THE SUBJECTS OF DIVISIONS IN THE COURSE

Bible History
Bible Geography
Bible Survey

Studies by Books:

Old Testament Outline Studies by Books

Poetical Books

Notable Characters of the Old Testament

The Prophets and Their Messages

Ancient History

The Life of Christ

The Acts of the Apostles

The Pauline Epistles

The General Epistles

The Lives of the Apostles

The Lives of New Testament Men and Women

The Revelation

Studies of Bible Truth—such as: Sin, Atonement, Redemption, The Divinity

Sunday School Organization and Sunday School Teaching

Successful Christian Work in Foreign Fields

Successful Christian Work at Home, including Sermon Making and Public Speaking

Church History and Heathen Religions

Theology

Prophecy

OUTLINE STUDIES:

A comprehensive study of the books of the Old Testament and the New Testament in which the peculiar message of each of the inspired writers is emphasized, the historical setting and the structure

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Are We Exercising Faith As We Should

I feel impressed to sound a word of warning to the Church of God. The Word declares that the just shall walk by faith and not by sight. I read in the Evangel of January 9 that a Ladies' Willing Workers Band had been allowed in the church to raise money to support the church. We know the danger for the members of the Church of God is for her to put her lily white hand into the hand of the world and the first step is to do something very simple, not in accord with the walk of faith. The next step is something not so very bad but still away from the walk of faith.

One person writes that when the men at a certain place wished for a church building, but did nothing, the women went to work and soon had several hundred dollars toward the building. Did he follow up that church and see how much faith those women had to trust God in their time of need?

Now I tell you about a denominational church, the members of which used to trust God for the money to support the church, all by free will offerings. Every year, for years, they observed the first week in January as a week of prayer, with the result that there was a revival every year and many young people were added to the church. The pastor was opposed to worldliness in every form, but after eleven years this minister went to another charge. A new one took his place who was more liberal in his views. The deacon's wife went to Manchester, N. H. to visit relatives. While there the church of the same denomination had a supper to raise money for the church. The Ladies' Aide, as they called themselves, had charge of the supper and received \$100.00 at this one supper. The good deacon's wife came home all enthused to organize a Ladies' Aide. Well, they organized. Step by step faith for finances on the scriptural plan was departed from. Worldliness came in, prayer was neglected. Suppers took the place of the upper room. Strife and division were in evidence. Sisters who loved preeminence, if they could not rule, would get mad with each other and not speak for weeks. Now that church is like most other churches, much works but no faith. This is no fairy tale but happened about thirty years ago. The women in the Bible did not sell the things they made, but gave them to the house of God. Dorcas did not sell the coats and garments she made, but gave them to the poor. The Word of God does not teach that His people are to be beggars, but the way to GET is to GIVE. Luke 6:38 is the gospel standard of getting.

Now I do not write this to criticize

our brethren, but to warn against worldliness in whatever form it raises its head, for if we love the world we will find that we are the enemy of God, so the Word declares. I love the teachings of the Church of God, have been in the way for fifty-two years and as I live close to the Lord the way grows sweeter every day. I am a member of the Church of God in Manchester, N. H. We are few in number but we are trusting and walking by faith and not by sight.—Yours in Jesus' glad service, Sister Inez A. Goodwin, Hooksett, N. H.

Stay in Prayer Before God

BATTLE CREEK, Mich. — Dear Evangel readers, I thank the Lord for saving my soul, sanctifying, filling me with the good Holy Ghost and uniting me with the great Church of God. Praise His sweet name. Oh, how I love the good Church of God. When I came to Battle Creek twelve years ago I found there was no Church of God here, so I went here and there to meeting but never found a place where I could feel free. I started calling on God to send some one to get the good Church of God started.

In June, 1935, the Lord sent Brother Orion L. Alewine and family here and a church was set in order with ten members. The devil started working, trying to overcome the church. Some gave up and went back in sin but God has given us others to help carry the burden of the church and, thank God, the Church of God is still going in Battle Creek.

I thank the Lord for our good pastor and his family, Brother W. T. Truett. He has been a blessing to the little band here and the Lord is blessing him. The good sinner people seem to like him and help all they can to carry the burden.

Dear saints, if you are where there is no Church of God, just stay in prayer before God until He hears and answers prayer.

On Dec. 26 of last year I fell on my left arm and fractured it and the Lord healed it. I never had a doctor.

We need the prayers of all God's children for the little band of saints here and that God will save my unsaved husband. I wish the world knew how much I love the Church of God.—One who wants to be loyal, Nellie Phillips, 82 W. Grand Circle Ave.

Sunny South, Ala. Church of God on Upward Move

PINE HILL, Ala.—I am truly praising God from the depth of my heart for His goodness to me and for the way He is blessing the great Church of God at Sunny South. Praise God she is on the upward move. God is working in mysterious ways. I am so glad that we are serv-

ing a prayer-answering God.

Not long ago we were put to the test, and really if we have ever prayed and cried and called on God, it was then. Sometimes God puts His people to a test, some stand and some fall. He said He was going to have a tried people. Praise His name. I want to be one in that number who goes through.

I praise God for sending Brother Hartline to be our shepherd. I really prayed for God to send some good, humble pastor who would be patient and kind and be a blessing to us, and glory to His name. He has heard and answered my prayer. He sent Brother J. M. Hartline and his wife and they have proved to be a blessing to the church. I really appreciate them. It seems the church as a whole loves them. Brother Hartline takes up much time with the young people. If I make no mistake, there are seven young preachers who have started out to work for God, I being one of the number. Brother Hartline is so good to teach and explain things to us. We have Bible study every Friday night which I enjoy very much. I believe the young people's meeting is going over the top for Jesus.

We have a good Sunday School. Brother Johnson, our superintendent, has proved he loves us and everyone loves him. We have singing every fourth Sunday.

The church has built a parsonage for the pastor. I ask special prayer for the church and its pastor that God will lead the way and we will stay humble at the foot of the cross.—A sister in Christ, Lela Morgan.

REQUESTS

Please pray for me that I will receive the Holy Ghost.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Florida A. Smith, Rt. 1, Box 199, Arcadia, Fla.

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Please pray a special prayer for me as I have been sick and suffering all spring. I was stricken with an attack of influenza and am suffering very much. Pray hard that God will heal me and bless us with a good revival here at Oconee.—Mrs. Mary A. Elton, Oconee, Ga.

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Dear saints, please pray for my dear dad, Johnnie Owen, to be healed. He is in the hospital and is seriously ill. Pray till your prayers go through. He is unsaved, pray for God to save his soul. He is close to eighty years old. Pray for me and my husband to get closer to the Lord and do His will. Pray for our girls who have salvation and that our other children will be saved. Pray for our church and our pastor, Brother W. W. Ball.—A sister in Christ, Charity Trantham, Rt. 3, Lake Park, Ga.

Orphanage Report

Orphanage Report for January, February, March, 1937

Alabama	\$109.49
Arkansas	15.39
Arizona	4.01
California	54.83
Canada	11.10
Colorado	4.54
Delaware	3.68
Florida	369.36
Georgia	145.05
Idaho	1.09
Iowa	2.84
Illinois	80.24
Indiana	19.77
Kansas	10.21
Kentucky	119.40
Louisiana	15.64
Maine	40.02
Massachusetts	2.35
Maryland	70.81
Michigan	82.96
New Mexico	37.29
Montana	21.02
Missouri	60.46
Mississippi	45.74
Minnesota	5.54
North Carolina	281.74
North Dakota	35.67
Ohio	259.12
Oklahoma	25.09
Oregon	6.85
Pennsylvania	190.67
South Carolina	302.73
South Dakota	15.26
Tennessee	207.81
Texas	90.77
Virginia	57.27
West Virginia	175.41
Wyoming	.96
Miscellaneous	312.30

MISCELLANEOUS

January, February, March

ARKANSAS

Church of God Y. P. E., Lepanto—1 quilt.

FLORIDA

Mrs. F. G. Wesley, Rt. 2, Box 449, Jacksonville—1 quilt.

GEORGIA

Lora Dowd, Cobbtown—1 pr. shoes (worn).

Mrs. J. E. Stone, Waycross—2 prs. trousers, 2 sweaters, 1 boy's belt, 2 prs. socks, 2 prs. boys' boots, 2 prs. overalls.

Mrs. C. S. Newton, Butler—2 boys' lumberjacks, 2 boys' overcoats.

KENTUCKY

Mrs. Willie Walker, Marydell—1 quilt.

MISSISSIPPI

Mrs. Nellie Ree Dunaway, Rt. 1, Box

10, Foxworth—1 dress, 1 pr. blankets, 1 velvet suit, 1 bundle scraps, 1 hat, 3 aprons, 1 tam (all worn).

NORTH CAROLINA

Mrs. T. M. Beam, Belmont—1 quilt, 1 sheet, 1 towel.

Willing Workers' Band, High Shoals—55 yds. cloth, 2 dresses (worn), 1 dress (new), 3 prs. shorts, 1 sheet, 3 pr. pillow cases, 1 apron (new), 1 apron (worn).

OHIO

Mrs. George Goughnour, Harrisburg Rd., N. E., Rt. 3, Canton—2 sheets.

PENNSYLVANIA

Church of God, Cressley Corner—3 sheets, 3 pr. pillow cases, 2 sweaters (worn), 2 towels, 7 slips (worn), 6 dresses (worn), 1 pr. pants (worn), 1 baby shirt (worn), 1 sand bucket, 8 clothespins, 4 coloring books, 2 dolls (used), 2 caps (worn), 3 jackets (worn), 1 bank, 1 toy pistol (used), 4 tin cups (used), 6 balls (used), 4 shirts (worn), 1 bib (worn), 2 pr. bloomers (worn), 1 pantie waist (worn).

Brother A. L. Smith, Manns Choice—2 handkerchiefs, 3 towels, 8 pr. stockings, 5 pr. socks, 2 sweaters, 1 coat (worn), 1 boy's play suit (worn).

SOUTH CAROLINA

Church of God, Langley—37 yds. prints, 1 sweater, 2 dresses, 3 shirts, 3 pr. overalls, 40 cakes soap, 5 boxes soap powder, 9 towels, 5 pr. pants, 7 wash cloths, 2 ties, 1 toy tea set, 1 box raisins, 2 1-4 yds. muslin, 2 yds. outing, 8 blankets (single), 8 pr. socks, 2 pr. stockings, 1 pr. gloves, 2 handkerchiefs, 5 spools thread, 1 blanket (double).

Church of God, Fort Mill—3 sheets, 1 set pillow cases, 1 quilt, 1 double blanket, 1 single blanket, 60 yds. domestic (90 in. wide).

Mrs. Velma Moody, Estell—3 pr. shoes (worn), 1 sweater and cap (worn), 1 coat (worn), 2 dress patterns (used), 1 pr. pajamas, 1 spool thread, 1 bedspread.

TENNESSEE

Church of God, Erwin—1 quilt.

TEXAS

Church of God, Emory—1 quilt top. Sender unknown—1 dress.

VIRGINIA

Mrs. Vergie Wilson, Radford—1 quilt.

WEST VIRGINIA

Mrs. Ezra Johnson, Barboursville—1 quilt.

Geneva Stover, Huntington—1 quilt top.

Church of God Y. P. E., Bayard—3 yds. prints, 8 dresses (worn), 9 pr. pants (worn), 2 play suits (worn), 2 dolls (used), 1 man's coat (worn), 1 lady's coat (worn), 1 hat (worn), 1 cake soap, 2 dish cloths, 1 undergarment (worn), 3 waists (worn), 4 pr. bloomers (worn), 1 sweater (worn), 1 slip (worn), 2

skirts (worn), 1 doll bed set.

Name and address unknown—2 quilts.

Pressing On

CULLMAN, Ala.—I praise the great coming King for salvation that keeps me from sin. I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. I am still pressing on in this great way and feel more determined than ever before. The way grows better every day. The sweet Holy Ghost still abides.

We have a little Church of God at Blountsville, Ala., Rt. 2. We have only seven members but we stand foursquare for the Church of God and are living the life. Brother P. W. Hackney is our pastor. We trust the Lord for soul and body. When we get sick we pray for each other as the Word of God teaches and God heals us. Praise the dear Lord. We sing, pray and shout. We don't have any help so far except the Lord. We are expecting to have feet washing and communion soon. We believe in the whole Bible rightly divided and take the New Testament for our discipline. Well, praise His holy name. Saints everywhere, pray for us, let's get closer to God every day and pray more for each other.—Your brother in Christ, W. A. Wildmon, Rt. 3.

Healed of Asthma

SEDAN, N. Mex.—Dear readers of the Evangel. I thank God for His mighty healing power. I suffered for three years with asthma. A part of the time my mother, sister (Anna Mae) and I had to stay in the mountains so that I could breathe. They prayed for me and I was relieved several times but never completely healed until the Assembly last October.

We learned of Brother Rouse through Brother and Sister Douglas and Brother and Sister French and of his mighty power with God, and I felt impressed to go and have him pray for me.

Mother and daddy sent me with Brother French and since that time I have never had one touch of asthma. Pray for me that I will keep the faith. I am twelve years of age.—A brother in Christ, Riley Payton Foster.

Notice

We announced our home coming in the Evangel of April 3 but failed to give the date, which is April 18, third Sunday in April.—W. M. Stallings, 210 State St., Greensboro, N. C.

Arkansas on the March to Great Things

We praise the Lord for the victory. The Haynes district convention has just come to a close at West Helena, Ark. Brother Odis Smith, our state overseer, brought a number of good messages, which were indeed backed up by the Holy Ghost. They were enjoyed by all. Brother Shaw, our district pastor, was with us with many good things to say that were uplifting and made us feel like moving forward. Brothers W. A. Redford, Barber, Claud McGee, Mims, Sisters Dovie Coats, Mary Wright, and St. John were with us with many good things to say, which space will not permit us to mention.

Brother H. Brannon and his wife, Sister Luallen, Sister Davis and others rendered some splendid music, which was indeed uplifting. Many others would have been with us had weather and road conditions been normal. After all, in short, we had a wonderful convention.

Near the close our good people rallied together, made a sacrifice and purchased Brother Smith a nice suit of clothes.

Last but not least, on Sunday morning Brother Smith brought a message on missions, backed up by the Holy Ghost and He moved in such a way that almost everyone in the house gave in a special mission offering to the amount of \$6.45. Some gave who did not have it. If you can't read between these lines here, write me and I will tell you how this happened. We feel that Arkansas is on the march to great things this year. If you are gold for God and His Church, come over and help us.—Your brother in Christ, C. E. Banks, pastor, 148 N. 2nd St.

He is Merciful to Us

LUNDALE, W. Va. — Dear saints, I am thanking God for His great mercy, He has been so merciful to me. Though unworthy as I am He has blessed me with the gift of the Holy Ghost, the precious Comforter that guides me and keeps me each day.

I thank God for sending us Brother Rayhill for our pastor. He is a wonderful man of God and also has the gift of healing. Many great miracles of healing have been wrought through him since he has been here. We all prayed to God to send us a pastor who would build up this church. He surely has answered our prayers.

I don't know just how many have been saved and added to the church. We have a nice Sunday School and Y. P. E.

We are now praying for an evangelist to come here for a revival. Saints, pray that God will send us the greatest revival we have ever had. Please pray for

me that I may stay in the center of God's will and be a blessing to the community in which I live.—A sister in Christ, Una Ethel Barker.

Praise God for the Wonderful Plan of Salvation

DECATUR, Ala.—I am still praising God for this wonderful plan of salvation. I praise Him for the way He is blessing at Decatur, Ala. and for the many souls that have wept their way through to victory during our few weeks' revival. We began our revival with our pastor, Brother A. J. Murray, in charge. The Lord surely did bless. Souls were shouting the victory. Then Brother W. E. Lee was in charge for two weeks. Many souls prayed through to victory. We also had the Lord's Supper and feet washing. The old time power of God fell in a mighty way. The Lord surely did bless in the service. As Brother Lee had to go away Brother C. E. Berryhill took charge. He surely did some wonderful preaching. Many souls saw the light on the Church who had never heard it preached before. We also had others with us who helped and God blessed their efforts. We closed the revival with thirty-six saved and sanctified, twenty-five filled with the Holy Ghost, twenty-seven added to the church and nine baptized in water.

Since the revival closed Sunday night two have been saved and two filled with the Holy Ghost. Pray for the many other souls that are seeking the Lord. Also pray for the revival at Hills Chapel which began this week with Brother Louie Tacket and Brother Claude Gossip in charge. Pray that God will bless each effort of these young ministers as they carry the gospel to the lost world. Pray for my loved ones who are in sin and that I will stand true to the end.—Your sister in Christ, Bessie Bolan.

God is Still on the Throne

SHELBURN, Ind.—Dear saints, I've victory in my soul since I've humbled myself before God and confessed my faults and repented.

I hurt Brother Standifer by saying hard things against him but I was down in the spirit through disobedience. God knew best and gave him victory to keep humble in the Spirit. I feel I owe these words to you, dear ones. I wanted to gain back that I lost through disobedience, so I turned a room of my home into a prayer room. Brother and Sister Standifer have been faithful to attend. Two have been saved in prayer meetings. Praise

God! The attendance is good, God's approval has been upon the meetings, the Holy Ghost witnessing. God is still on the throne.—Your sister in Christ, Edna Rilege.

BROADCASTS

Each Sunday Afternoon from
3:45 to 4:30 E. S. T.
Greenville S. C. Operates on 1300
Kilocycles
Earl Paulk, Pastor

Each Sunday from 5:00 to 5:30 p. m.
Eastern Standard Time
Wilmington, N. C., WMFD
1370 Kilocycles
H. T. Durden, Pastor

Thursday, 5:00-5:30 p. m. WWNC
Sponsored by
A. V. Childers, Pastor, Biltmore, N. C.
D. B. Yow, Pastor, W. Asheville, N. C.

Harrisburg, Ill., WEBQ
1210 Kilocycles
Monday, 3:00 to 3:45 p. m.
J. R. Thomas, Overseer

Charlotte, N. C., WSOC
1210 Kilocycles
Sunday, 4:30 p. m.; Thursday, 3:15 p. m.
W. T. Nelson, Pastor

KGDE Fergus Falls, Minn.
Tuesday & Thursday, 11 to 11:30 a. m.
and
Saturday 11:00 to 11:45 a. m.
1200 kilocycles
H. L. Ramsey and party

Anderson, S. C., WAIM
2:00 p. m. to 2:45 p. m.
Each Saturday
J. C. Childers, Pastor

WIS, Columbia, S. C., 560 Kilocycles
Each Sunday, 8:30 a. m. to 9:00 a. m.
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Eastern Standard Time,
1500 kilocycles
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1370 kilocycles
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U. D. Tidwell, pastor

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tion has been postponed until a later date. The time for the district convention will be announced later.—Linwood Jacobs, district overseer, Rock Hill, S. C.

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Our state overseer, who has helped us so faithfully for six weeks will preach the dedicational sermon on Sunday, April 11 in our new church located at 1100 W. College Ave. in York, Pa. All nearby churches are invited to attend the all-day service. Bring a well-filled basket and enjoy yourself in the Lord.—Your brother in Christ, Ivan Hartman, 616 Salem Ave., York, Pa.

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Anyone who wants some one to hold a revival who is humble, can play the guitar and sing, please write me at an early date.—T. V. Whipple, Rt. 1, c/o O. P. Woods, Stonewall, Okla.

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We are glad to report that we have secured Brother Max L. Atkins for our state Y. P. E. evangelist for North Carolina. If you want a Y.P.E. revival, you'll do well to get Brother Atkins.—Very sincerely yours, T. C. Franklin, state Y. P. E. and S. S. Supt. of North Carolina, Box 6055, W. Asheville, N. C.

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The Marion, Va. district convention

will convene at Marion, Va., May 14-16 with Brother J. L. Dorman, state overseer, in charge. We want all pastors, clerks, Sunday School superintendents and saints to be present every service. We are expecting the Father, Son and Holy Ghost to be present. We want all visiting churches to bring well-filled baskets on Sunday, for we expect to have dinner on the ground. Please don't forget to bring a big offering for missions.—Yours in the Master's service, B. M. Woolwine, district overseer, Box 362, Marion, Va.

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This is to notify all concerned that Sister C. E. Pinner has resigned her clerkship in the Church of God at Clayton, Ga., having moved away, and Sister Lasie McCall has been appointed in her place.—I. N. Rich, pastor, Clayton, Ga.

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My wife and I gave up the place as state evangelist of Arkansas at the Bauxite district convention so we could work entirely in new fields. Brother Smith, our state overseer, appointed us to the Southeast Arkansas district where there was not a Church of God in all of the twelve counties south of Pine Bluff. On the 21st of March we set the Church of God in order at Pine Bluff. We have some real true blues here standing firm for the Church of God. This is the first church on this new district and it is a ripe field. We are expecting to press the battle hard. Everyone who reads this pray

for this new field.—M. A. Parker, district overseer.

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The Lawton, Okla. district convention will convene at Faxon, April 16-18 with Brother S. J. Wood, state overseer, in charge. Everybody invited. We especially urge the members of the district to be present. Preachers, please see that your clerks have their reports up to date on aged ministers' fund, mission, orphan, in fact, all financial funds. We are expecting a good time in the Lord. Come and be with us.—Oscar Davis, district pastor.

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The Somerset, Pa., district convention will convene April 23-25 at the Church of God, Boswell, Pa. The church is located on Main St. Churches consist of Somerset, Johnstown, Boswell, Myersdale, Boynton, and Acosta. Brother C. H. Blankenship, state overseer, will be with us with his soul-stirring messages. We insist that all ministers on the district be present throughout the convention. All neighboring districts are invited. All are welcome.—H. O. Harris, district overseer.

Notice

We have a little four-year-old girl who is very bright and by request we are offering her to some good, holy man and wife for adoption. She is not in the orphanage. Correspond with S. W. Latimer, Cleveland, Tenn., if interested.



The above picture shows a part of the ladies' new Dormitory and the instrumental music class. More than half the rooms are already engaged for next term of school. If you want to be sure of a place in this dormitory next term, you should send in your application at once.

Requests

Dear brothers and sisters, I thank everyone who prayed for me and everyone who sent me anointed handkerchiefs and clothes. The Lord hasn't healed me yet but He has given me the blessed Holy Ghost and I am praising God for that. Pray for my stepfather to get the Holy Ghost and pray that my mother, sister and I will be true to the Lord. Pray for my brothers and sisters, nieces and nephews.—A brother in Christ, Fred Winstead, Clarksville, Ga.

We have just closed a three weeks' revival at Graysville, Tenn. The Lord surely blessed, eight received the Holy Ghost and the church was revived. Please pray for our meeting that started at Dayton, Tenn., April 4.—Brothers Herbert Giles and Avery Lane.

Brother G. C. Smith and wife, state evangelist, are in charge of a revival here. We surely enjoy having Brother Smith give out the message. We have the preacher but we need your prayers for this revival.—Mrs. W. B. Davis, clerk.

Brother and Sister J. E. Marion, evangelists of Columbus, Ga., have just begun a revival in the church here at Moultrie, Ga. We earnestly request all readers of the Evangel to pray that we might have a wonderful revival. I feel the harvest is ripe at this place.—Your brother in Christ, L. P. Shaw, pastor, Moultrie, Ga.

Please pray a special prayer for the revival now in progress at the Church of God at Epps, La. Conviction has seized people and four have already prayed through in the third night of service. We have with us Brother and Sister C. C. Floyd of Forest, La.—S. B. Webb, pastor, Epps, La.

Please pray for my husband. He has backslidden and he said he would preach again. He has tried many times to get something to do but just when he thinks he is going to get the job the Lord heads him off and he doesn't get it. I know it is the Lord as He surely called him to work for Him. Please pray that the Lord will make him willing to do His will once more as He did eight years ago. My husband is in a terrible place just now as he doesn't know what to do with himself. He wants to go away but the Lord holds him down so he can't get the money. Please pray a special prayer for him that he will have to turn to God. Also pray

for me as I am not as strong in the Lord as I used to be.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. H. C. Lain, Perulack, Pa.

Please pray a special prayer for my left arm. I fell and knocked it out of place in the left wrist. Also pray for the saints at Ferris. A church was set in order last November but the church has been disbanded. Please pray that God will set this church back in order. If Brother Robt. E. Blackwood sees this, please pray for the saints here. I ask all to please pray for the church here.—Your sister in Christ, Maggie Bates, Box 84, Ferris, Tex.

We are in a revival at the Cave City, Ark. Church of God and He is blessing. One soul has been saved and many are seeking God. We have Brother Lono Marlin with us and expect our beloved district pastor, W. V. Johnson, with us during the last week of our meeting. Pray much for us here that we will do God's will. Also pray for our other church at Cave Creek which we pastor. There were ten hungry hearts asking for prayer to be saved Sunday night. Pray for my wife that God will baptize her with the Holy Ghost soon. Pray for me that I will do God's will at all times.—A brother in Christ, Golden Griffin, pastor Cave City and Cave Creek churches, Cave City, Ark.

I desire the prayers of God's children that God will keep me faithful and bearing the precious cross for Jesus till He comes or calls. Pray for the church at Bastian, Va. Pray for God to heal my little boy who is in the hospital with a broken leg.—Kate Lovill, 423 Hardy St., Bluefield, W. Va.

I want the prayers of one and all that I may be able to overcome the devil.—Mrs. James Harvey, Lewis Chapel, Tenn.

Pray for my boy. He has backslidden. Also pray for the healing of my body so I can get back on the field preaching the gospel to the lost.—Mrs. Sulla Fields, Honea Path, S. C.

Please pray for my healing. God knows about it. Also pray for my sister who has been ill five years. Please, dear saints, hold on to Jesus for these requests.—Mrs. C. B. Morgan, Gibson, Ga.

I want all to pray special prayers that God will get hold of my sisters' hearts. They once knew God. Also pray for their companions that they will also change their way of living. Pray that God will put my companion under conviction and save his soul, also my father and other loved ones who are out in sin.

Pray that I will receive the good Holy Ghost and get closer to God.—Mrs. Vannoy, E. Alton, Ill.

Brother L. A. Atkins started a revival at Shooting Creek March 28. Pray for this meeting that God will give many souls the Holy Ghost. I'm glad the Lord made a way for me to go to Bible School in Cleveland, Tenn. this last term. I have salvation and want every one who reads this to pray that I will do what the Lord will have me do.—Esther Ricker, Paint Rock, N. C.

I am afflicted in body and seeking the baptism of the Holy Ghost. I ask all the saints to continue to pray for me. Also pray for my brothers and sisters who are in sin. Pray that my life will be a bright, shining light to this lost and dying world.—Miss Lillie Mae Vaughan, 414 Roy Street, Harlan, Ky.

I praise the Lord tonight for what He is to me. I am saved, thank the Lord, and I want all the praying people to pray for me that I will go all the way. Also pray that we may get a church here at Oak Grove.—E. L. Goodman, Coffeeville, Ala., Rt. 1, Box 45.

I am asking Brother Rouse and all of God's children to pray for me that God will heal my body. I have heart, sinus and kidney trouble. I also ask prayer for all my family that the Lord will bless each one and that they will do better and live closer to the Lord. I want God's children to write me letters of encouragement as I want to get closer to God and do His will. Pray that God will hear our prayers and I will give Him praise.—Yours truly, Mrs. Troy Jenkins, Rt. 2, Tutwiler, Miss.

Please pray a special prayer for me. I am so anxious for salvation. Since my brother has accepted it he seems so happy. I am a little twelve-year-old boy. I have six more brothers and one sister. Don't forget to pray for my dear blind father that his sight will return. Pray that our family circle will not be broken.—Cecil Goodman, Coffeeville, Ala., Rt. 1.

I ask all to pray for me and my husband to get closer to the Lord and do His will. Also pray for Sister Osben to be healed and for God to send us an old-time revival that souls will come to God. Pray for my husband to get the Holy Ghost and that God will save my children.—Your sister in Christ, Bertha Hampton, Brodhead, Ky.

I am afflicted with my throat (seemingly choking spells) and when I pray I

only get relief for a little while. I believe in divine healing and have the Holy Ghost. I desire the prayers of the saints that I will be completely healed of this affliction. I and my children have been healed before. I am not a member of the Church of God but I am working for it and expect to come into it as I feel it is the Bible Church. Please pray for me that I will be completely healed.—A sister in Christ, Gladys Chapman, New Martinsville, W. Va.

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Dear readers and saints, will you please pray for me and my family? We belong to the Baptist church but I do not feel safe. I want you to pray that my mother will be healed. She is in bad health. Pray to God in mercy that He will save the lost ones. I ask forgiveness if I have interfered with anyone. Please remember me in your prayers. May God bless you all.—Helen Williams, Rt. 1, Cascilla, Miss.

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I ask the church everywhere to please pray for my brother's wife that the Lord will heal her of epileptic fits. Also pray for him to be saved and give his heart and talent to God. Pray for the healing of my body as I have nervous indigestion, and pray for my seven children to come in this way before it is too late. If there is any one in Chicago who belongs to the Church of God, do please drop me a card as I want to get in touch with some holiness folks.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Ella Brewer, 9463 Cottage Grove Ave., Chicago, Ill.

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We are entering the third week of a revival at Urbana, Ill. God is surely blessing. Souls are praying through. Brother G. W. Messer of East St. Louis is the evangelist. Those who have lost souls at heart, please pray for this revival. May God bless all who read this.—C. E. Richard, pastor, 307 S. Glover St., Urbana, Ill.

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Please pray that the Lord will send a revival to the Church of God at Carrollton, Ga.—Thad Puckett, pastor.

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Please have a special prayer for my unsaved husband that he will give his heart to the Lord before it is too late. I also have an unspoken request which I ask prayer for. Just call my name to God and He will understand all about it.—Mrs. W. M. Beasley, 902 N. 39th St., Birmingham, Ala.

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To the dear saints of God everywhere, I praise the dear Lord for this wonderful plan of salvation. Jesus is precious to me all along the way. I am asking you everyone to pray for my eyes. I am blind, can see but just a little. I want my eyesight for God's glory. I have the blessing of

salvation, the sweet Holy Ghost abides. I love the Lord and the Church of God for it is the Bible Church. I can't see how to get to church only when some of the dear saints come and take me or send their children to lead me. I can't see to go by myself, and oh, how I do love to go, it is such a pleasure and blessing to me when I can go and be in the good services and hear the good Word of God. I can't see to read the Word of God. Do take me on your heart, for I know He can heal. I surely believe in divine healing and know God is still on the throne and is a prayer-answering God. There is nothing too hard for Him. Also pray for my unsaved husband. He is so wicked and sinful and gives me so much trouble, I can hardly stand it at times. It is almost more than I can bear, yet I know Jesus is able to tender his heart, convict and save him before it is too late. It is almost more than I can stand if he doesn't get saved. Pray that God will give me overcoming grace and power to stand every raging storm. Also pray for my dear brother that he will be saved. If Brother Rouse sees this, please pray for me. May the Lord bless all of you.—A sister who loves the Lord, Mrs. Nina Miller, Augusta, Ga.

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Dear saints, we covet your prayers. We are at Pell City, Ala. We have been here this winter and are expecting to stay as long as the Lord wants us to if we can and I know the Lord will help us. I praise Him for the way He has blessed us this winter. The Church of God has been down here for two or three years. They were not having any meetings when we came here. Since we came here five of the old members have prayed up and have the victory. We have two new ones who we are expecting to come in the church and others are looking this way. We have Sunday School and it is growing and getting better, for which we are praising the Lord. Pray that we will soon have the Church of God set back in order at this place. We are looking for a great revival soon. If Brother B. D. Smith reads this, if you will please come and help us in a revival as much as two weeks, please drop us a card at once. We would be glad to hear from any of the dear saints who would care to write us.—Your brother and sister in Christ, A. J. and Darie St. John, Pell City, Ala.

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Please pray earnestly for my niece who has just lost her husband. She has a small three-year-old child and now has pneumonia. She has pus on her lungs. She is a child of God so pray earnestly for her. Her name is Clara Whitaker. Also pray for me. I am still suffering with my head.—Sophie Merseal, Richwoods, Mo.

Please pray for the revival which started April 6 at Shelburn, Ind., Archie McWilliams, evangelist, in charge. Also pray for my healing. I have an affliction in my body that has bothered me for some time. I am trusting God for deliverance.—C. H. Standifer, pastor.

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Pray for our family as we have all been sick. Husband is real sick now and has been for several days. Pray earnestly that we may all be well again.—Mrs. H. Youngblood, Magic City, Tex.

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Pray for me as I need your prayers for my knee. Pray for my husband's back and that he will get the Holy Ghost. Also pray for our unsaved boys, and for me to stay close to the Lord and do His will.—Mrs. C. Edwards, Plains, Mont.

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I earnestly request prayer for the healing of my body. Pray for the work here at Elkin. Pray that I will overcome every test that comes my way.—K. B. Coach, Elkin, N. C., c/o Elkin Barber Shop.

REVIVAL

KINGSTON, Jam.—We thank the Lord for the way in which He blessed in the two weeks' revival which was held the last of February. The Lord is still blessing us. Many were saved, some sanctified, backsliders reclaimed, some who had grown lukewarm regained their victory and two were baptized with the Holy Ghost. Elder W. A. Shaw, Evan. Eva A. Munroe, Overseer H. A. Hudson and Evangelist Edith Clarkson were the speakers. We feel sure great good has been accomplished for God. Surely Elder Shaw, our pastor, who was in charge of this revival, has been a servitor of the Word during the revival, also the rest of the speakers. One could hear souls weeping under their messages. During February fourteen members were fellowshipped into the church and fourteen baptized in water. The Lord has done great things for us, whereof we are glad. I am still depending on your prayers.—Your sister in Christ, S. C. Jones.

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CAWOOD, Ky.—I am glad to report a very successful revival that has just closed at Cawood, Ky. After a hard battle of four weeks conducted by the pastor, Brother Waldon Asher, the presence of the Lord was in every service. Ten were saved, five sanctified, three baptized with the Holy Ghost, six baptized in water, and six took fellowship with the church. Many were healed by the Lord through the prayer of faith, and the saints were greatly revived. Pray for us.—George Stanton, clerk.

The Dispensation of Promise

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tween me and thee and between my herdmen and thy herdmen." Abraham suggested that they separate and gave Lot choice of the country. Lot, with a greedy eye, looked on the plains that they were well watered and he pitched his tent toward Sodom. Abraham journeyed on the hill country and while praying God spoke to him and said, "Arise and walk through the land, and I will give this land to thee and thy seed forever."

ABRAHAM DELIVERS LOT

While Lot lived in the city of Sodom there was a king that came up against them and overcame them and they served him twelve years. The kings of Sodom and Gomorrah finally rebelled against this king and this king came up against them with his federated kings and took them captive, with all their goods and Lot, Abraham's nephew, and all his cattle. One escaped and told Abraham. Abraham took his trained men, born in his house, three hundred and eighteen, and pursued them unto Dan. Overtaking them he divided his forces and fought against them. He took from them all the spoil of Sodom and Gomorrah and brought back his nephew Lot, all his goods, and the women. As Abraham returned from the slaughter all the kings of Sodom and Gomorrah that were left came out to meet him. Melchizedek, king of Salem, brought forth bread and wine and he was the priest of the most high God and Abraham gave unto Melchizedek tithes of all. The kings of Sodom said unto Abraham, "Give me the persons and take the goods." Abraham said to the kings of Sodom, "I have lift up mine hand unto the Lord, the most high God, possessor of heaven and earth, that I will not take from a thread even to a shoe's latchet, and that I will not take anything that is thine, lest thou shouldst say, I have made Abraham rich: Save only that which the young men have eaten." Here Abraham again shows his generous holy spirit that God had placed in him, and proved his generous, kind, godly spirit in not taking anything from those that he had worked and labored. He meets Melchizedek, priest of the most high God. Here we have the first mention of tithing in the Scriptures. Abraham must have known something of this doctrine and I am persuaded he got it in communion with the Lord. Many think that Melchizedek was Christ himself, but to say the least of it, he is a type of Christ. Since Melchizedek's priestly order of bread and wine was an emblem of Christ, Christ is a priest after the order of Melchizedek as a king of righteousness and king of peace. Isa. 11: 4-9; Heb. 7:2.

In Gen. 15 the Lord appeared to Abraham and told him to "fear not for I am thy shield and exceeding great reward." Abraham said to the Lord, "What wilt thou give me, seeing I go childless?" The Lord spake to Abraham and told him that the descendant of Eliezer would not be his heir, and here he promised to give him a righteous seed from his beloved wife. He took Abraham abroad and told him to look toward the heaven and "tell the stars, if thou be able to number them," and He said, "So shall thy seed be." Abraham believed the Lord and it was accounted to him for righteousness.

Gen. 15:7-21 gives us an account of God's special revelation to Abraham concerning giving him the land and the bondage of his seed in Egypt. He tells him to take an heifer three years old and a she goat three years old and a ram three years old and a turtle dove and a young pigeon. Abraham took these and divided each piece one against the other and when the fowls came down he drove them away. As soon as the sun had gone down and darkness had fallen upon him God told him that his seed should be strangers in a land that was not theirs and should serve in bondage four hundred years but the nation they served God would judge.

In Gen. 16 we have an account of the birth of Ishmael by Sarah's maid. It seems that they became impatient and Sarah suggested to Abraham that her maid would bear them seed. This all seemed to bring confusion in the camp and I am sure was not pleasing to God. In chapter 17 we have the record of the visitors to Abraham's camp just before the Lord destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah. We haven't space to give a detail of this account but every Bible reader knows how God visited Abraham with two angels and there made known to him that Sarah his wife should bear him seed and that through this seed he would become the father of many nations. He also became an intercessor and prayed until his nephew Lot was delivered from the wicked city of Sodom.

Isaac was born unto Abraham and was the only child of his beloved wife. When Isaac was twenty-five years old Abraham was called on to sacrifice him to the Lord on a mountain that He would show him. This was a test of Abraham's faith but he was obedient to the Lord and took Isaac to the mountain and after he had built the altar, tied him, and placed him on it, he raised his hand to take his life and God stopped him and showed him a sacrifice behind him, a ram caught in the vines by the horns. This is a test of Abraham's genuine faith in God and stands out preeminent above every act of obedience that we have any record of

concerning Abraham. Finally the time came for Isaac to be married. Abraham sent his servant Eliezer back to Sarah's brother's to get him a wife. The beautiful story is told of how God directed Eliezer, how Rebekah came to draw water to water the camels in answer to the request that Eliezer had made to the Lord concerning the wife of his master.

Sarah died and left Abraham, Isaac, and Rebekah. She was buried in the cave of Machpelah which Abraham had purchased for a burying place. Then Abraham took a wife and her name was Keturah and she bore him Zimran, and Jokshan, and Medan, and Midian, and Ishbak, and Shuah. Abraham gave all that he had to Isaac and he gave gifts to the sons of the concubines and sent them away from Isaac. This was done that Isaac might inherit the full blessing handed down from Abraham to him. Abraham died at a hundred three score and fifteen years and was gathered to his people. Isaac and Ishmael buried him in the cave of Machpelah.

Isaac now becomes full heir of the promise and he has two sons born unto him, Esau and Jacob. These boys grew up in the camp of Isaac and became quite prominent. Esau was a mighty hunter while Jacob stayed at home and helped his mother and loved the fields. It seemed that the nature of these two men were quite different, the one wild and careless, mixing with the tribes around him, marrying into the families of the Hittites. Jacob was of quite a different type. The ugliest thing that he did was to cheat his brother out of his birthright. The prophets had said the older should serve the younger but if Jacob and Rebekah had waited God's time, He would have brought this about without their trickery.

We are here giving an account of the descending blessing from Isaac to Jacob: "Therefore God give thee of the dew of heaven, and the fatness of the earth, and plenty of corn and wine: Let people serve thee, and nations bow down to thee: be lord over thy brethren, and let thy mother's sons bow down to thee: cursed be every one that curseth thee, and blessed be he that blesseth thee." Jacob, after this treacherous deed, and Esau arrived in the camp with this venison, his mother sent him away because Esau planned to kill him. As he slept out alone one night, God visited him and the angels ascended and descended upon a ladder. Jacob rose up and said that this was the very gate of heaven and he knew it not. He anointed the stone that he used for a pillow and promised the Lord if he would bring him safe home again he would give Him the tenth. Jacob went to his Uncle Laban's home and agreed to

work seven years for one of his daughters. His uncle tricked him and gave him his oldest daughter Leah instead of Rachel. Jacob worked seven years more for Rachel because he loved her. He is now reaping what he sowed.

He finally returns to his home and on the way, one night, he wrestled all night with an angel and at the break of day he received a blessing from God. His brother's wrath was appeased and he now goes into the land of Canaan. But little is known of Esau but he grew to be a mighty nation and had many trained servants under him. Jacob had twelve boys born into his home by his wives and their handmaidens. Two of these were by his beloved wife Rachel. One of them, Joseph, was a special favored son. His brothers sold him into slavery and taking his coat that Jacob had made for him they dipped it into the blood of a kid. This was a coat of many colors and was a mark of distinction as to the love and affection lavished upon him by his father. Joseph grew up in Egypt and was virtuous and true in every respect and finally became the governor of Egypt. This he did through and by the wisdom that God specially gave him. A famine arose in the land and Jacob had to send his sons into Egypt to buy corn. You should read Genesis 40-45.

The obligation in this dispensation was that of promise. Abraham was required to have faith in God and also to strictly obey His voice and when his faith lapsed, when the famine came, and he went into Egypt, he was out of the direct will of God. His son Isaac had the same experience and left the land of Canaan during a famine and got into the same trouble that Abraham did. When they left Canaan they were out of the will of God but on their return each time they renewed their covenant with God by worshipping at the same place that Abraham first built an altar, thereby God's favors returned to them. Gen. 12: 6-8. When Jacob sent his sons into Egypt to buy corn and finally went with them, he stopped at the same place where Abraham and Isaac had worshipped and there offered sacrifice to God. God met him there and told him to go into Egypt. If you remember, God had already told Abraham that his seed would go into bondage for four hundred years, so the obligation in this dispensation was faith and obedience and all the patriarchs who kept this obligation were in divine order and God's blessings were extended to them. The worshipers were not made perfect in sacrifice and obedience to God but all this sacrifice was an index finger pointing to the cross, and they can be termed holy because of their faith and obedience to God. Gen. 15:7-21.

EDITORIALS

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NOTICE

The Alabama City, Ala. district convention will convene at Alabama City April 30-May 2. First service begins Friday, 7:30 p. m. We urge the ministry and laity of the district to be therefor the first service, also invite others near us to come with us. "Let us go in the name of the Lord. Paid up, prayed up."
—A. L. Burroughs, district pastor.

Getting Back to Goshen

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starting back. I did have lots of love one time. I could cry over poor lost men and women. I could cry when my brother had to give up his loved ones. I could cry when my neighbor, in hard circumstances, had nothing to eat or wear, and no home. I could not take his last cow to pay my debt and see his wife and children suffer for bread and milk. I could not see the widow driven from home because she could not pay her little rent. I could not stand to sit by my good warm fire and see my poor neighbor suffer and die in the cold. O God help me to get back to this place where I can sympathize with my poor suffering brother and sister.

Last but not least, we wish to say to our brethren and sisters, we are going back to GOSHEN. Come on, let us seek God until we can feel the warm animal blood run over our souls again. Amen. God bless you. I tell you, some of the folks at Cleveland, Tennessee are starting back.

Men should pray to God now lest they pray to the rocks and mountains later on.

STATE CONVENTIONS

Colored General Assembly—April 12-18, Jacksonville, Fla.

South Carolina .. April 30-May 2

North Carolina (Charlotte)—May 12-15

Alabama .. May 6-9

Indiana (Shelburn) .. May 20-23

Ohio .. May 28-31

Florida (Wimauma) Camp Meeting June 3-13; Convention June 9-11.

Tennessee .. June 11-13

Virginia (during camp meeting) June 16-17.

West Virginia .. June 18-20

Michigan .. June 25-27

Pennsylvania (Somerset) .. July 1-4

Northwest (Minot), N. Dak., S. Dak., Wyo., Minn., Wis., Mont., Western Canada, camp meeting July 1-11; convention July 8-11.

Oklahoma .. July 9-11

Mississippi .. July 16-18

Iowa and Nebraska .. July 13-15

Kansas .. July 16-18

Illinois .. July 20-22

Maryland .. July 23-25

Georgia (Macon) .. July 27-29

Louisiana .. July 30-Aug. 1

Texas (Weatherford) .. Aug. 5-8

Arkansas .. Aug. 13-15

Kentucky (Somerset) .. Aug. 20-22

Missouri .. Aug. 27-29

Maine (Appleton) New England States, New Hampshire, Vermont, Mass., R. I., and Conn.—Sept. 1-5.

New York .. Sept. 7-8

District of Columbia .. Sept. 9

Montana (Bigtimber) .. June 17-20

Evangel Subscriptions According to States

Florida Is Leading This Month

NEBRASKA WHO WAS AT THE BOTTOM OF THE LIST LAST MONTH HAS MOVED WAY UP THE LINE

Ohio and Virginia have moved up one but two other states have dropped back. It is interesting to watch the numbers grow. How much will your number grow next month and who will be ahead? We printed 7,750 Evangels this week. The list below does not include rolls and foreign subscriptions. Watch for the next report

	Increased	Decreased	Total
1. FLORIDA	69		726
2. NORTH CAROLINA	15		677
3. SOUTH CAROLINA		2	588
4. GEORGIA	7		473
5. ALABAMA	24		371
6. TENNESSEE		6	288
7. MISSISSIPPI		2	250
8. WEST VIRGINIA	2		246
9. TEXAS	11		204
10. KENTUCKY	10		198
11. OHIO	5		152
12. PENNSYLVANIA		13	150
13. VIRGINIA	7		121
14. ARKANSAS		2	119
15. ILLINOIS		1	106
16. MISSOURI	4		104
17. MICHIGAN	2		89
18. LOUISIANA	3		79
19. MARYLAND	5		73
20. OKLAHOMA		1	65
21. NORTH DAKOTA	7		61
22. NEW MEXICO	6		48
23. CALIFORNIA	1		37
24. MAINE		3	28
25. INDIANA	3		29
26. KANSAS	3		24
27. MONTANA	3		23
28. SOUTH DAKOTA			13
29. MINNESOTA	1		12
30. ARIZONA			9
31. WASHINGTON, D. C.	3		8
32. DELAWARE			8
33. OREGON		1	7
34. WYOMING			7
35. IOWA		1	6
36. IDAHO			6
37. NEW YORK			6
38. NEBRASKA	5		6
39. COLORADO			5
40. NEW JERSEY			5
41. WASHINGTON			4
42. NEW HAMPSHIRE			3
43. MASSACHUSETTS			3
44. WISCONSIN	1		3
45. CONNECTICUT			1
46. NEVADA			1

How Will Your State Stand May 1st